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Sent: Monday, December 05, 2016 8:57 AM

To: Ramanauskas, Peter Cc: Ernest Howard

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Thank you, Tracey Triple J Towing Phone 419-332-9088

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Sent: Monday, December 05, 2016 9:57 AM

**To:** David Star; Moore, Kendall; Kenneth Zolnierczyk

**Subject:** OEPA Inspection - Discovery of PCB containing drum storage

Gentlemen,

I received the email below from a representative of Triple J Towing. In looking at the document that opens using the link at the bottom of this email chain, it seems that OEPA conducted an inspection and discovered drums containing PCB onsite among other violations.

The company is asking for direction on actions needed to come back into compliance. Since this was an OEPA inspection, I'm sharing it with you for action at this time.

Please let me know if PTCS intends to pursue enforcement and give direction to this company regarding the disposal of the PCB containing drums. I can then let the sender know that you will be contacting them.

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We will look over what you attached and let you know if we need additional info. In the meantime, please do let us know when you schedule a conversation with OEPA.

Thank you,

Peter Ramanauskas
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**Subject:** Triple J Towing/Fremont, OH

**Attachments:** removed.txt

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Let me know if Brian or I can be of any other help to you.

Thank you.

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#### **Dennis Getz**

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**To:** Tammy Moore; Mardi Klevs

Cc: Moore, Kendall; Beedle, Michael (beedle.michael@epa.gov); David Star

Subject: Superfund Removal Assistance? PCB Drums - Triple J Towing - Freemont, Ohio

#### Tammy/Mardi,

On December 5, I was contacted by Triple J Towing as a result of a letter they received from Ohio EPA (see attached) and shared the information I received with PTCS.

OEPA conducted an inspection of the facility after a disclosure by the facility to OEPA of the discovery of up to 34,709 PPM of PCB within drummed waste at the site. After the inspection, OEPA directed the company to contact USEPA to address the PCB. Kendall & I followed up with the company and with Safety-Kleen to get additional information on the situation. The present owner has been in possession of the site for approximately 4 years. They have stated that the drums of material were on site when they purchased the property and that Triple J Towing was under the impression that they contained only used oil (see attached letter from previous owner). Triple J indicated to us that they may be financially unable to address the proper disposal of the PCB.

There are approximately 80 filled/partially filled drums on site (see attached inspection report). SK took one composite sample of all of the drums which resulted in the 34,709 PPM detection. The OEPA report identifies areas of releases. We reached out to Safety-Kleen/Clean-Harbors to get a ballpark cost estimate for individual sampling of the drums to attempt to isolate the PCB containing drums (approx. \$6000) or defaulting to disposal of all drums via incineration (approx. \$36,000 to \$52,000 excluding transportation cost). We shared this cost information with Triple J and recommended they consider these options. We provided them with a list of Commercial Storage Facilities they could contact for assistance as well.

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We will continue to be in contact with the owner and OEPA; however, please let us know if RRB/CMB management wishes to reach out to the Superfund Removal program at this time to determine whether they may be able to offer any assistance.

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OEPA conducted an inspection of the subject facility after a disclosure by the facility to OEPA of the discovery of up to 34,709 PPM of PCB within a composite sample of drummed wastes at the site. There are approximately 80 filled/partially filled drums on site (see attached inspection report). Safety-Kleen took one composite sample of all of the drums which resulted in the 34,709 PPM detection. After the inspection, OEPA directed the company to contact USEPA to address the PCB. The OEPA report identifies areas of releases.

LCD's TSCA Program followed up with the company and with Safety-Kleen to get additional information on the situation. The present owner (Triple J) has been in possession of the site for approximately 4 years. They stated that the drums of material were on site when they purchased the property and that Triple J Towing was under the impression that they contained only used oil (see attached letter from previous owner).

LCD reached out to Safety-Kleen/Clean-Harbors to get a ballpark cost estimate for individual sampling of the drums to attempt to isolate the PCB containing drums (approx. \$6,000) or defaulting to disposal of all drums via incineration (approx. \$36,000 to \$52,000 excluding transportation cost). We shared this cost information with Triple J and recommended they consider these options. We provided them with a list of Commercial Storage Facilities they could contact for assistance as well. OEPA has been working with the current owner as well and informed us that Triple J is citing financial hardship to perform sampling of each drum (OEPA's estimate for analytical analysis only is ~\$8,500). The previous site owner is unresponsive.

Given the current status and information, LCD & OEPA wanted to reach out to you to determine whether the Superfund Removal Program may be able to provide assistance to properly dispose of this material.

Please let us know if you have additional questions or wish to discuss.

Thanks,

Peter Ramanauskas RCRA Corrective Action Project Manager/Regional PCB Coordinator Remediation and Reuse Branch Land and Chemicals Division USEPA Region 5 77 West Jackson Blvd (LU-9J) Chicago, IL 60604 (312) 886-7890

From: Ramanauskas, Peter

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 15, 2017 10:00 AM

**To:** Moore, Kendall

**Subject:** Superfund & Triple J Towing

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Thanks,

Pete

From: Moore, Kendall

Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 10:42 AM

**To:** Ramanauskas, Peter

**Subject:** Re: Superfund & Triple J Towing

thanks Pete, been having phone problems this morning. Just turned phone off and back on. Seems to be better now. Try calling again when you're free.

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From: Ramanauskas, Peter

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 7:49 AM

**To:** Wolfe, Stephen

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Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 7:17 AM

To: Ramanauskas, Peter; Wolfe, Stephen; Edgar.Pulido@epa.ohio.gov

**Subject:** RE: Triple J samples

Thanks for the information – I am checking in with Jeff Mayhugh in our Central Office as to what he decided on the samples at the lab. They have contacted the lab to discuss options, etc.

**From:** Ramanauskas, Peter [mailto:ramanauskas.peter@epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 12:40 PM

To: Wolfe, Stephen <wolfe.stephen@epa.gov>; Pulido, Edgar <Edgar.Pulido@epa.ohio.gov>; Weaver, Colleen

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To: Ramanauskas, Peter; edgar.pulido@epa.ohio.gov; colleen.weaver@epa.ohio.gov

**Cc:** Pohl, Eric

**Subject:** Fwd: Analytical for Triple J Towing

Attachments: ATT00001.htm; 126370-EDD.CSV; ATT00002.htm

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Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 3:19 PM

**To:** Moore, Kendall

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Attachments: 126370-Analytical Report.pdf; ATT00001.htm; 126370-EDD.CSV; ATT00002.htm

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From: Moore, Kendall

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2017 2:34 PM

**To:** Swetland-Johnson, Karen; Ramanauskas, Peter

**Cc:** Graczyk, Lisa

**Subject:** Re: PCB Used Oil Stockpiles

Triple J Towing of Fremont, Oh. has about 80 drums of oil that have only been characterized for only for PCBs. Approximately 10 of those drums have regulated levels of PCBs.

Camp Perry Development in Port Clinton, Oh. has approximately 1,000 drums of uncharacteristized oil, grease and water.

From: Swetland-Johnson, Karen

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2017 11:37:38 AM **To:** Moore, Kendall; Ramanauskas, Peter

Cc: Graczyk, Lisa

Subject: PCB Used Oil Stockpiles

Hi Kendall,

Can you send me a brief description of the PCB-contaminated used oil stockpiles that you know about in Region 5? My office director, Barnes Johnson, is interested in knowing more about this situation. He may be able to help facilitate the treatment/disposal of this waste. He has a technical background and used to work in Superfund at HQ so he might just be curious. © Thanks.

Karen Swetland-Johnson, Ph.D.
U.S. EPA
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Washington, D.C. 20460
Ph. 703-308-8421
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Attachments: 126370-Analytical Report.pdf; ATT00001.htm; 126370-EDD.CSV; ATT00002.htm

Karen, here are the Triple J Towing sample results. The sampling was done by Superfund to evaluate whether an emergency response was needed. The OSC is out till the end of the month but my understanding is that an emergency response won't happen.

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Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 11:02 AM

To: Ramanauskas, Peter; colleen.weaver@epa.ohio.gov; ed.pulido@epa.ohio.gov

Cc: Wolfe, Stephen

**Subject:** FW: Final Letter Report Triple J Towing Site

**Attachments:** S05-0001-1703-003\_Triple J letter report\_FINAL\_050517\_all.pdf

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Kendall/Lisa,

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Sounds like a plan. And wow, these are high.

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From: Ramanauskas, Peter

**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2017 1:55 PM

To: Moore, Kendall <moore.kendall@epa.gov>; Graczyk, Lisa <graczyk.lisa@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Final Letter Report Triple J Towing Site

Kendall/Lisa,

Passing along Superfund's report for the sampling conducted at Triple J Towing. There are some high concentrations in a few of the drums.

Let's touch base on this more next week.

Thanks, Peter

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Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 11:02 AM

To: Ramanauskas, Peter <ramanauskas.peter@epa.gov>; colleen.weaver@epa.ohio.gov; ed.pulido@epa.ohio.gov

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Monday, July 23, 2018 9:33 AM Sent:

Moore, Kendall To: Cc: Ramanauskas, Peter

**Subject:** Ramanauskas, Peter has shared 'S05-0001-1703-003\_Triple J letter report\_FINAL\_050517

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Kendall - here is the Superfund report on sampling at Triple J.

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Hi peter

We did not perform any additional work other than advise the business owner on the results of the sampling effort

As we indicated when we agreed to perform the sampling, Superfund was only going to perform a sampling effort and then provide you with the sample results for enforcement since it is an operating facility

#### Thanks,

Steve Wolfe On-Scene Coordinator U.S. EPA Region 5 25063 Center Ridge Road Westlake, Ohio 44145

Phone: 440-250-1718 Fax: 440-250-1750

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**Sent:** Thursday, August 16, 2018 12:06 PM **To:** Ramanauskas, Peter; Graczyk, Lisa

**Subject:** FW: RE: RE: Disc Environmental Service Inc **Attachments:** TRIPLE J WASTE PROFILE 8-14-18.pdf

From: Henry Treece [mailto:discenv@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2018 9:34 AM
To: Moore, Kendall <moore.kendall@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: RE: RE: Disc Environmental Service Inc

My apologies. Here it is.

On Thursday, August 16, 2018, 10:06:26 AM EDT, Moore, Kendall <a href="moore.kendall@epa.gov">moore.kendall@epa.gov</a>> wrote:

Hello Henry, I'm still waiting for the waste profile for Triple J Towing. Should we have a call to discuss?

From: Henry Treece [mailto:discenv@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 08, 2018 1:22 PM
To: Moore, Kendall <moore.kendall@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: RE: Disc Environmental Service Inc

Afternoon Kendall.Pat wanted me to touch base with you to see if you received the results from the samples you took with vou. THANKS HENRY

On Thursday, August 2, 2018, 10:33:18 AM EDT, Moore, Kendall < moore.kendall@epa.gov > wrote:

Thank you. Do you also have one for Triple J Towing?

From: Henry Treece [mailto:discenv@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2018 9:13 AM
To: Moore, Kendall <moore.kendall@epa.gov>
Subject: Disc Environmental Service Inc

Good morning Mr. Moore. Im sending you this waste profile to let you know that i didnt forget you. Im in the process of getting the other two. Will send them as soon as possible. Sorry for the inconvenience.



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From: Ramanauskas, Peter

Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2018 1:57 PM

**To:** Edgar.Pulido@epa.ohio.gov

**Cc:** Moore, Kendall; Graczyk, Lisa; Jean Greensley

**Subject:** Triple J Towing

**Attachments:** TRIPLE J WASTE PROFILE 8-14-18.pdf

Hello Edgar,

It's been a while since we've talked about Triple J Towing. We've recently been following up on a used oil PCB contamination event where the receiving facility got some materials from Triple J. We were wondering if you might have been back out to Triple J recently and observed the status of the drummed PCB materials? Our Superfund program hasn't returned there since they performed the characterization sampling of the drums.

Thanks, Peter

From: Colleen.Weaver@epa.ohio.gov
Sent: Thursday, October 18, 2018 1:49 PM

**To:** Ramanauskas, Peter

**Subject:** Triple J Towing Notice of Violation

Attachments: TRIPLE J TOWING RECOVERY LLC - NOV - 10-17-2018 - RCRA C - HAZARDOUS

WASTE - SANDUSKY - OHR000128918 - 924051.pdf

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From: Ramanauskas, Peter

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2018 7:45 AM

**To:** Moore, Kendall

**Subject:** FW: Triple J Towing Notice of Violation

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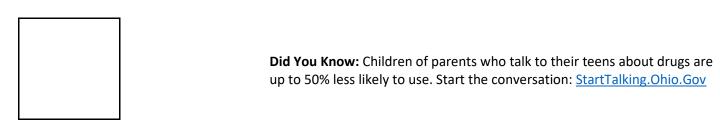
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Thanks Pete, that really helps. Maybe the oil they sent to Disc Environmental was residual oil from one of the contaminated drums. Or maybe they aren't the culprit in the Disc contamination at all.

The material at Disc was mainly water so it may be that those drums weren't even tested by EPA. So many possibilities. I've passed my report on for case development. So I'll let Ken (or Scott) sort it out. Thanks again for the follow up.

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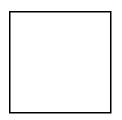
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